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REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS

Lansing, Mich., January 1st, 1907.
To the Republican Electors of the State of Michigan:

The State Convention of the republicans of Michigan is hereby called to meet in the city of Grand Rapids, on Thursday, February 14th, 1907, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating two candidates for Justice of the Supreme Court, two candidates for Regents of the University, one candidate for Member of the State Board of Education and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

In accordance with the provisions of law and the action of the Republican State Central Committee, every county will be entitled to one delegate for each three hundred of the total vote cast therein for the Republican candidate for Governor at the last election and one additional delegate for a moiety of 151 votes or more.

Under the resolutions of 1898, no delegate will be entitled to a seat in the Convention who does not reside in the county he proposes to represent.

The delegates from the several counties in each Congressional District are requested to meet in district caucuses at ten o'clock a. m. on the day of the State Convention, and select officers as follows, to be presented to the State Convention for confirmation:

- 1—One Vice-President.
- 2—One Assistant Secretary.
- 3—One member of the committee on "Credentials."
- 4—One member of the committee on Permanent Organization and Order of Business.
- 5—One member of the committee on "Resolutions."

In compliance with the resolution adopted in Detroit, June 23, 1890, the secretary of each county convention is urged to forward to the secretary of the State Central Committee at Clare, by the earliest mail after the delegates to the State Convention are chosen, a certified list of delegates to the State Convention from his county, and the chairman of each county delegation is requested to deliver the credentials of his delegation to the member of the Committee on Credentials chosen at his district caucus.

By order of the Republican State Central Committee.

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA, Chairman.
DENNIS E. ALWARD, Secretary.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Report of school district No. 7, rel., Arcada and Pine River township for month ending Feb. 1, 1907: Total attendance, 389; number of pupils enrolled, 23; number of days taught, 19; average daily attendance, 20. Pupils neither absent nor tardy during the month were: Ernest Ellison, Rexford Johnson, Elmer Mahu, Lee Omans, Clarence McKean, Edna Wiley and Sadie Gerard. Clyde Johnson was absent two days on account of illness.

Visitors during the month were: L. T. Mulu, Mrs. Wm Gerard, Vida Mulu and Miss Hazel Black of Riverdale.

HAZEL POTTER, Teacher.

ELM GROVE.

Miss Ernestine Farmer spent Sunday with E. Parsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gay were surprised by their many friends giving them a kitchen shower last Friday evening.

No school at Elm Grove this week, the teacher is confined to her home by sickness.

Jacob Holmes, Nettie Foglesong and the little child of Ralph Richardson are all sick.

A good number from this section attended the surprise party at Will Michael's near Summerton last Friday evening.

Will Myers and wife spent Saturday and Sunday in Mt. Pleasant.

The M. E. Aid society of Parkinson church, will meet with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Vandermark, Wednesday, Feb. 13. All are cordially invited.

Rev. Ely Raycroft will preach at Parkinson church, next Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Chas. Coon and wife are staying with C. Russ at present. Mr. Coon will soon move on his farm.

We learn that David Brady is soon to move to Alma as he has hired out to Bert Eckert in the meat market.

Workmen are busily at work preparing the two vacant store rooms in the Opera House block for the use of Convis & Convis, furniture dealers, who take possession March 1st.

Slates, tablets and school supplies. New York Racket.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Furnished by Register J. C. Watson.

Chas Morden to Chas A Kipp, it to blk 47, Gargett's add, Alma. \$850
Chas A Kipp to Chas Morden, pt nw of nw, sec 2, Arcada. 1100
Chas A Kipp to Chas Morden, pt nw of nw, sec 2, Arcada. 150
Chas A Kipp to Chas Morden, pt nw of nw, sec 2, Arcada. 225
Jos Grover to Wm S Apple, e½ of ne, sec 18, Emerson. 900
Chas Bryant to Wm F Odell, e½ of nw, sec 27, North Star. 5000
Will Francis to Francis Kellogg, it 4 and pt it 5, blk 2, upper Itaca. 1700
Allie Marquette to Thos Hopkins, it 3, blk 2, Phillips' add, Itaca. 1000
Martin G Thrush to Robt Bott, s½ of se of nw, sec 4, Lafayette. 900
Daniel S Gable to Benj J Elcher, e½ of se, and ne of sw, sec 21, Newark. 4000
Jas E Mygrants to Lewis Marr, w 60 a of se, sec 20, Lafayette. 3400
Robt C Martis to Geo E Smith, w½ of it 1, and n½ of w½ of it 2, blk 30, St Louis. 1200
John Dycall to W C Folkert, it 8, blk 5, Breckenridge's add, Wheeler. 225
Anna M Evenden to Andre J Root, pt it 3, blk 7, Knapp's add, St Louis. 1200
Philip W Jones to O F Mey, pt se of nw, sec 30, Bethany. 300
Walter H Wyeth et al to Marshall Barnard, pt it 21, blk 4, Riverdale. 100
Walter H Wyeth to Marshall Barnard, its 11, 12, 13, blk 4, Riverdale. 300
Elizabeth Comstock et al to Fred A Comstock, w½ of w½ of ne, sec 17, Bethany. 850
Fred A Comstock to Elizabeth Comstock, e½ of w½ of ne, sec 17, Bethany. 850
Geo W Long to Robt H Comstock, (Est) w½ of ne, sec 17, Bethany. 1017
Lewis Schlarf to Frank Fox, sw of sw, sec 28, Elba. 2800
Marshall Harrington to A J Hall et al, its 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, Hall & Sharrar's add, Alma. 500
Fred H Parks to Jno J Hiller, pt it 2, blk 28, Jeffery's 2nd add, Itaca. 2000
Elbridge Franklin to Frank E Mills, 20 a in nw, sec 33, North Star. 600

REACHING THE SPOT.

It can Be Done, So Scores of Alma Citizens Say.

To cure an aching back,
The pains of rheumatism,
The tired-out feelings,
You must reach the spot—get at the cause.

In most cases 'tis the kidneys.
Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys.
Mrs. H. C. Purvis, living on Grant street, says: "Mr. Purvis has been bothered with rheumatism for several years, and at times he was unable to work on account of the severity of the aches and pains. He tried numerous remedies but without any lasting benefit. He was at last persuaded to try Doan's Kidney Pills and procured same at Chas. Rhodes Drug Store. He used them and obtained great relief from the first and he kept on using it until he was completely cured. We are both staunch supporters of Doan's Kidney Pills, and thank for the cure of rheumatism and similar troubles they have no equal."

WEST ARCADE.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mosher of St. Johns are visiting at Geo. Irish's and other relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Winnie Griffin is visiting in this vicinity.

Fred Rockafellow, who has been troubled with rheumatism, has been taking treatment of Dr. McLaughlin and is better.

The Arcada Farmers' Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Irish for the January meeting. It was well represented in members and several visitors were present. After the usual fine dinner the president called the meeting to order. It was voted to hold a box social at Frank Clow's, Thursday evening, Feb. 7th, the proceeds to be used for the benefit of the club. It was also voted to purchase one dozen more rural songsters. Miss Winnie Griffin was present and gave a fine recitation and responded to an encore. Mrs. Frank Clow gave a humorous recitation. Mrs. Fuller and Mr. Irish read selections. The question box brought out a few questions for discussion. One was "What is the best feed for milk cows?" Mr. Fuller advised feeding beet pulp; several others preferred oats. Another question was, "Why can't the farmers in this vicinity get a farmers' telephone line?" A committee was appointed to investigate the matter and report at the social. Another committee was also appointed to look up the matter in the southern part of the township.

The Feb. meeting will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Will Latimer. Following is the program:

Reading—Mrs. Latimer.
Recitation—Mrs. Smith.
Reading—Mrs. Irish.
Reading—Mrs. Rockafellow.

MIX THIS AT HOME.

The following simple home-made mixture is said to readily relieve and overcome any form of rheumatism by forcing the kidneys to filter from the blood and system all the uric acid and poisonous waste matter, relieving at once such symptoms as backache, weak kidneys and bladder and blood diseases.

Try it, as it doesn't cost much to make and it is said to be absolutely harmless to the stomach.

Get the following harmless ingredients from any good pharmacy: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Mix by shaking well in a bottle, and take a teaspoonful after each meal and again at bedtime.

This simple mixture is said to give prompt relief, and there are very few cases of Rheumatism and Kidney troubles it will fail to cure permanently.

These are harmless, every-day drugs, and your druggist should keep them in the prescription department; if not have him order them from the wholesale drug houses for you, rather than fail to use this, if you are afflicted.

LANGPORT.

Mrs. Muriel Marshall has been spending several days the past week with her sisters, Mrs. N. E. Saad and Mrs. Ralph Rushree.

Miss Oma Milligan of Breckenridge came Friday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. Benjamin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Laurer were Sunday visitors at S. Spanblings.

Mrs. Frank Hanson has been in Breckenridge for some time, caring for her daughter, Mrs. Julia Haynor, through her serious illness.

George Smith and son, Clare, were Saginaw visitors Thursday.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold their next meeting at the home of Mrs. Sumnerscale on Thursday, February 14. Everybody invited.

Miss Maege Smith visited friends in Wheeler township the last of the week.

MAKING GOOD BUTTER.

Knowledge of Starters Necessary For Turning Out the Best Grades.

The creamery buttermaker must be familiar with starters. They are a necessity for making the best grade of butter. Their value cannot be overestimated, nor can too much care be practiced in handling a starter. In making a good starter cleanliness is the first principle to be observed, and it is the buttermaker's duty to see that the utensils used are properly cleaned and sterilized before the starter is put into them. They should never be exposed in places where dust or bacteria of any kind will have a chance to lodge in them. In fact, the value of sterilization immediately before use cannot be too fully realized, and the much to be condemned habit of wiping the cans with a cloth afterward, though the cloth is seemingly clean, should never be practiced.

Neither should the inside of the vessels be touched by the hands, although they may seem clean, nor should cold water be poured into them for cooling purposes, but always applied on the outside. It is necessary that the man handling starters should wear clean clothes, so that dust or other foreign matter will not drop into them while being propagated. Many times can be seen the practice of dipping unsterilized vessels into the milk after it has been pasteurized, or a finger will be stuck in for a quick estimate of the temperature, thus inserting undesirable germs and defeating the object sought.

Skill in Finishing the Product.

When it comes to the finishing of the product skill means much, for the more neatly it is done up the higher will be the score and the price. There are quite a few important points to be observed in the process of manufacturing butter. First, of course, is to have the cream properly ripened and cooled to the desired temperature. Next is to stop the churn at the right time, get enough salt and color added to suit the market, get the butter worked just right, for a good body means a higher score; put it up as neatly as possible and in a shape that will be most desirable for the market, and finally to observe as much sanitation as possible from the beginning to the finish. The grade of butter depends somewhat upon the style of churn in use, but it is expected that most creameries will have one of the more up to date and improved styles installed. They are a little more complicated than the box or barrel churn, and it may be said, they are considerably harder to keep clean. They must be kept clean from the beginning, and it is the butter maker's duty to see that they are.—F. A. Jorgenson, Illinois Dairy School.

Value of Careful Stripping.
Stripping the cows thoroughly has a tendency to increase the milk flow. Leaving a little milk in the udder has the opposite effect. The principal difference between a good milker and a poor one is that the good milker is gentle with the cows and conscientiously finishes the job. Any one can milk a cow right, but not every one does it. Leaving a little milk in the udder increases the bacteria content of the next milking slightly, which is another reason for careful stripping.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The First State Bank..
At ALMA, MICH.

at the close of business, Jan. 25th, 1907, as called for by the Commissioner of the Banking Department.

Resources.
Loans and discounts \$142,254.66
Bonds, mortgages and securities 93,114.80
Overdrafts 162.83
Furniture and fixtures 890.00
Due from banks in reserve cities \$86,450.13
U. S. and National Bank Currency 10,499.00
Gold coin 960.00
Silver coin 1,355.50
Nickels and cents 143.72

Checks, and other cash items 99,348.35
Total \$330,209.33

Liabilities.
Capital stock paid in \$10,000.00
Surplus fund 20,000.00
Undivided profits net 2,544.38
Commercial deposits 98,833.13
Certified checks 125.40
Savings deposits 7,255.11
Savings certificates 127,799.95

Total \$330,209.33

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF GRATIOT.
I, Ely Brewbaker, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Ely Brewbaker, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of Jan., 1907.
My commission expires Feb. 29, 1908.
CARL H. WASHBURN,
Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
A. W. WRIGHT, J.
L. A. SHARP, Directors.
G. S. WARD, J.

SOUTHWEST ARCADE.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Murwin spent Sunday at W. Merchants of New Haven.

The Ladies Aid Society will hold their next meeting with Mrs. Wm. Peacock Thursday, Feb. 14. Everybody come.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Peacock spent Sunday at Lewis Peacock's of New Haven.

The box social at the Gleaner Hall last Wednesday evening was attended by a large crowd.

Miss Iris Neidhardt is home from the Alma Springs Hotel for a two weeks vacation.

A large number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Carner gathered at their home last Thursday evening to bid them farewell, before starting to their future home in Oklahoma.

Miss Mabel Shephard of East Sumner, visited Mrs. Lucy Verian last Thursday.

H. Fuller and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. Rexford of Ferris.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Carner and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Carner left Tuesday for Capron, Oklahoma, where they intend to make their future home.

Mrs. Jake Merchaut went to Alma Sunday where she will take treatment at Brainerd's Hospital.

SUMNER CENTER.

Several from this place went to Elm Hall to church Sunday night.

Miss Iris Fleming is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Frank Gee.

Mr. Albert Ray has returned home from Elwell, where he has been in the Sanitarium for some time. His health is greatly improved.

The Graham and the Townsend schools gave Sumner Centre school a call Friday on their way to the Cedar Corners school.

Bessie and John Hamilton are staying at Mr. Gargett's.

There will be a masquerade social at Birton L. Gee's, Feb. 20, for the benefit of the Sumner Centre school. Supper will be served. Everybody come.

WEST PINE RIVER.

Mrs. Freeman Johnson and father, A. Robins, are visiting relatives in Bemis.

Mrs. Mallory and granddaughter, Laurie, visited her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Johnson, Sunday.

Mrs. E. Wood who has been staying at her father's has returned home.

Mrs. A. Johnson and Dan Wood and wife of Alma, visited at F. M. Kyes' last Friday.

A. H. Brown lost one of his horses last week.

Willis Lemon and family of Middleton have moved into Mr. Dailys' house.

Matt Lentz has purchased 40 acres of what is known as the T. A. Johnson farm.

Mary Stitt was a new pupil at the Wright School last week.

Miss Flossie Clark of Alma, visited Miss Edna Verder last Thursday.

Little Helen Wright entertained little Blanche Aukney last week.

SOUTHEAST FERRIS.

Horatio Stearns and wife are visiting their daughter, Emily Hyde, of Eureka.

Jacob Wiles died January 29. His funeral and interment was held January 31 at New Haven Center.

Lewis and Lawson Stearns are hauling bolts to Riverdale.

Milton Flint and family and Mrs. E. C. Osterhout were the guests of Erastus Osterhout and family Sunday.

Jasper Warren and E. L. Osterhout were callers at Crystal, Saturday evening.

Frank Fulford and son will soon start for Washington.

Charley Perry and family spent Sunday with J. S. Osterhout.

SAVE YOUR EYESIGHT

... BURN ...

RED STAR OIL

It gives the best light and does not smoke the chimney.

ASK YOUR GROCER

Alma Roller Mills

FLOUR
IS ALWAYS GOOD.White, Wholesome,
Nutritious

NO BLEACHING.

NO BLENDING.

Costs no more and is better than other Flour of the same grade.

Ask your grocer for...

"Alma Patent," "Arcada," "Baker's," "Rye Flour,"
"Buckwheat Flour," "Graham Flour," "Whole Wheat
Flour," "Wheat Grits," "Corn Meal," "Cracked
Wheat."

Men who know

say it is the first one hundred dollars that counts.

When a man has saved his first hundred dollars, he has more than just the mere dollars. He has learned valuable principles which will aid him to secure other hundreds of dollars. Then, too, he has capital. That first hundred will be put to work and will earn him more dollars. The possibilities of the use to which capital can be put are numerous and endless.

Opportunities come to the man with capital that do not come to him that does not have it. New fields for safe investment open up continually. It is a good plan to deposit your extra dollars in the bank regularly. You will be surprised how savings grow.

We pay 4 per cent interest on Certificates and on Savings Accounts.

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